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DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION	RELATED NCCHC/ACA STANDARDS: P-B-02/4-4329 (ESSENTIAL)	
CHAPTER: 11 HEALTH SERVICES	SUBJECT: ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH AND SAFETY	
APPROVED BY THE COMMISSIONER:		
EFFECTIVE DATE: 11-19-07		

PURPOSE:

To assist in maintaining a safe and sanitary environment for all areas of the institution.

POLICY:

The healthcare unit will work in conjunction with the facility administration to promote a healthy environment in which an inmate can work, study, recreate, receive healthcare and be housed.

PROCEDURES:

1. The Institutional Authority and site Health Service Administrator for inclusion of institutional health & environmental issues will review the Safety and Sanitation Program of the institution.
2. Facility administration will perform monthly environmental inspections of facility. Areas to be included should be housing, laundry, housekeeping, pest control, equipment monitoring, and risk of exposure containment measure and occupational and environmental safety. Program will include process for correcting and documenting problems
3. The site Health Service Administrator, or designee, will review the institution Safety and Sanitation Inspection reports. These reports will be included in MAC meeting agenda when pertinent to healthcare issues.
4. The site Health Service Administrator, or designee, will participate in inspections as requested by the Institutional Safety and Sanitation Officer.
5. The site Health Service Administrator will arrange for annual inspection and written report on the status of respiratory isolation rooms and x-ray equipment as required by the state.
6. Identified health staff should participate in inspections of areas where mental health services are given or where inmates with health/mental impairments are separately housed. Attention should be given to the following areas:

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- A. Inmate Housing
- B. Laundry
- C. Housekeeping
- D. Pest control
- E. Risk exposures
- F. Equipment inspections
- G. Safety.

References:

National Commission on Correctional Health Care: Standards for Health Services in Prisons, 2003

American Correctional Association: Standards for Adult Correctional Institutions. 4th Edition, 2003. 4-4329